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FOR AMBASSADOR ONLY FROM DICK MOOSE

E.O. 11652:GDS

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SUBJECT:MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT NYERERE

REF: STATE 192562

1. THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO ACQUAINT YOU WITH THE
CONTEXT FROM WHICH THE MESSAGE CONTAINED REFTEL PROCEEDED.
AS YOU KNOW, DURING HIS MEETING HERE WITH NYERERE,
PRESIDENT CARTER INDICATED THAT SECRETARY VANCE WOULD ADJUST
HIS SCHEDULE SO AS TO BE ABLE TO MEET WITH NYERERE AND
DAVID OWEN IN LONDON TO REVIEW THE STATUS OF
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3. WITH THIS BACKGROUND, THE PURPOSES OF THE MESSAGE CONTAINED REFTEL SHOULD BE APPARENT: WE WANT TO KEEP NYERERE ON BOARD OUR INITIATIVE AND TO ALLAY HIS CONCERNS ABOUT RESPECTIVE ROLES OF THE UN, PATRIOTIC FRONT AND RESIDUAL RHODESIAN FORCES DURING THE TRANSITION PERIOD. AT THE SAME TIME, WE DO NOT WANT TO LET NYERERE BACK AWAY FROM THE SUBSTANCE OF HIS EXCHANGE WITH THE SECRETARY.

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